

Naval Operating Base Dutch Harbor & Fort Mears
Naval Radio Station Apartment Building
Unalaska (Island), Aleutian Islands Division
Alaska

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE ALASKA	COUNTY ALEUTIAN ISLANDS DIVISION	TOWN OR VICINITY UNALASKA (ISLAND)
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Naval Operating Base Dutch Harbor & Fort Mears (NHL)		HABS NO. AK-34-N
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Naval Radio Station Apartment Building; C.P.O. Quarters No. 1		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Unalaska Island		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1932 (Blueprint issued 4/22/32)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) U.S. Navy
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Built as a six-family apartment building for personnel at the NRS, the Tudor revival stylistic overtones make it an outstanding example of military architecture. Reputedly the only brick building in the Aleutians. The building served as C.P.O. Quarters No 1 throughout the duration of the war. See HABS No. AK-34.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Tudor revival		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) frame with brick veneer, concrete foundation, and wood shingles on roof.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) see drawings		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The definite stylistic overtones and the use of brick, a material alien to the Aleutians, are of note. The steeply pitched multi-gabled roof is accented with two wood-shingled gabled dormers. Following the Japanese attacks June 1942, the building was painted olive drab as camouflage.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) The lounge features a mural of aquatic life. Each kitchen has a wall-mounted built-in cooler. Screened vents piercing the masonry walls provided air circulation.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Rear exterior staircases were enclosed in 1933. Laundry rooms in the basement were converted to combination game room, lounge and library, 1939.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Deteriorated and vacant.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Within Naval Operating Base Dutch Harbor & Fort Mears National Historic Landmark site.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) NHL; see Bibliography HABS No. AK-34.		
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